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SUBJECT: INEEL - WAG 10 – Request for Agreement With Fifteen-Day Schedule
Extension For Issuing the Final RI/FS In Accordance With
FFA/CO Section 8.18 - (EM-ER-01-126)

REFERENCE: Letter, K. Hain to W. Pierre and D. Nygard, INEEL - WAG 10 –
Operable Unit 10-04 - Submittal of "Draft Final Comprehensive
Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Assessment for Waste Area
Groups 6 and 10 - Operable Unit 10-04" for Review and Comment,
dated July 5, 2001 (EM-ER-01-119)

Dear Mr. Nygard and Mr. Pierre:

In the reference letter DOE submitted a Draft Final Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study, an FFA/CO primary document, to your agencies for a 15-day review and comment period. The document was submitted using FedEx's Standard Overnight service.

The purpose of this letter is to request your agreement with a 15-day extension (i.e., from August 5 to August 20) for issuance of the Final OU 10-04 RI/FS in accordance with Section 8.18 of the Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (FFA/CO).

This topic was discussed during the August 1 WAG 10 Project Manager's Conference Call.

For the following three reasons, DOE-ID seeks your agreement with the schedule extension:

- (1) This extension is necessary to conclude final editing and to incorporate changes stemming from an IDEQ technical comment that was received on July 31. Section 8.3 of the FFA/CO allows a 15-day period for identification of issues and this period ended on July 21.
- (2) A high quality Final RI/FS will best serve the future needs of all three agencies.
- (3) There are no subsequent programmatic activities that would be adversely affected by allowing an additional time period for improving the quality of the Final RI/FS.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please call either Glenn Nelson at (208) 526-0077 or me at (208) 526-4392.

Sincerely,



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